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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
	:	Examiner: J. Brier
HIDAKI OHSHIMA et al.	)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2628
Application No.: 09/176,274	)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 7987
Filed: October 21, 1998	)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING	)	
APPARATUS AND METHOD,	:	
AND COMPUTER-READABLE	)	
MEMORY	:	March 9, 2007

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION,  
SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW  
AND  
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated January 18, 2007, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows: